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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application. The period for response has been extended one (1) month, from November 21, 2006 to December 21, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

- I. <u>Amendments to the Claims</u> begin on page 2 of this response;
- II. Remarks begin on page 58 of this response; and
- III. Conclusion begins on page 63 of this response.